

I am opposed to relaxing limitations on the ownership of more than one television station per market. This is clearly the opposite of encouraging competition, regardless of any cost savings and 'improved coverage' that may be projected based on merging the operations of two or more existing stations.

Television is the primary media for most Americans and is therefore too important to be thoughtlessly handed over to the free market. Like other important parts of American infrastructure such as education and transportation, the free market doesn't do a good job of serving all citizens. Small markets are less profitable and so cause large corporations to reduce services and cut their losses. This does not benefit the consumer.

Please abandon plans to open up broadcast ownership. These restrictions were put in place to protect the public and the suggested changes are clearly of benefit only to corporate owners.